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WHY I ENJOY CHAUTAUQUA!

We are pleased to give the readers of the "Echoes" the statements of prominent people who love Chautauqua and who enjoy the hours spent there.

C. Bernet says:—Chautauka, in a beautiful valley among the Piaa bluffs, on the banks of the Mississippi, and but an hour and a half from St. Louis, offers one of the most attractive summer resorts that can be found anywhere in the West. As a matter of fact, this valley of health and happiness is known throughout the entire country, and visitors to St. Louis and Florida find it a most making this attractive spot their home for the summer. Many people in the vicinity of St. Louis, however, have never fully appreciated Chautauqua as a summer resort because of its very nearness to them.

Chautauqua has many attractive features. Its cool nights make it an ideal resting place for the tired business man. Its safe and sane rules make it a wonderful place for children, and its wholesome atmosphere makes it a delightful place for everyone.

Anyone who has sweltered in the hot city night after night, without an hour's rest can get at Chautauqua.

Crowded with shade trees, a never-failing breeze, which swings through the valley to ward the river, and refreshing springs, which bubble from the ground at unexpected spots, make it a natural health resort.

Ideally placed by nature, it is kept clean and wholesome by the most advanced sanitary regulations. The Directors leave nothing undone to accomplish this, and children find it a playground paradise—boating, swimming, fishing, wading pools, swings, tennis courts, horseback riding—all are at the disposal of the hundreds of children who are here every year. For the safety of the child automobile, and this rule is so very low speed limit, and this rule is so rigidly enforced that there has never been an automobile accident on the grounds.

For the entertainment and amusement of the men and women there are croquet grounds, tennis courts, quiet grounds, a swimming pool, and even a baseball diamond in the adjoining valley.

The permanent settlers have erected several hundred cottages, which snugly set by the side of the attractive little lanes which criss-cross over the grounds, forming a pleasant little hamlet, in which all is peace and economy.

For those who have no cottages, and who remain only a short time, there are the attractive hotel, run by the ladies on the grounds, and a number of boarding houses. There is also a first-class restaurant and stores where groceries, candy and cold drinks can be obtained.

Most important of all is the wholesome atmosphere which has been thrown up about Chautauqua through years of careful management. Nothing objectionable is ever tolerated on the grounds. The Directors are a unit in the observance of the Sabbath, and these services daily are held, conducted by the ministers, who can be secured in the city and elsewhere. Although Chautauqua

are not required to attend these services, yet the open-air auditorium is comfortably filled three times each Sunday with people attending the services.

The nightly entertainments are also very carefully selected. Moving pictures, pagents, speakers, all being selected with the best interests of Chautauqua's summer visitors in mind. It is a safe and delightful place to bring your family and to invite your friends for the summer. Will you be with us this year?

L. C. Haynes says:—Fourteen years ago my son Delos came under the weather and, at the suggestion of some friend, wife and I took him to Chautauqua to spend a week or so in September. The week seemed so beneficial to him and so pleasant to the rest of us that we bought our present cottage before we left the grounds, and have been spending our summers there regularly ever since. I doubt if there exists in any community in the United States such a congenial place as Chautauqua. It is a wonderful people as make Chautauqua their regular summer home. The ladies enjoy their social gatherings and their meetings of the L. C. I. A., where they are constantly devising schemes for the improvement of Chautauqua. Such of the men as are able to spend a considerable part of their time there find most congenial companionship, and royal sport in their outdoor recreations, and the children—Chautauka is paradise itself for them. It is not so hard to tell why my family enjoys Chautauqua as it is to know why anyone living in or near St. Louis can stay away from Chautauqua.

Senator William E. Cullfield says:—I have some wonderfully fine political friends I enjoy them. I wish they could sit down with me at the prettiest place in America to look upon at the greatest work of the greatest artist in the world, and hear the sweet music of the birds, as we sit together. I enjoy Chautauqua because my family and my friends can have a part with me in this enjoyment.

Rev. F. L. Van Treese says:—I enjoy Chautauqua because my frequent visits there recall the days and the hours with the noble men and women who introduced and promulgated the religious features. They are to be enjoyed by all. When I was a boy I used to be able to talk to us they would say, "Keep Chautauqua religious. Keep in the faith, and get the victory."

Mrs. Eugene Gaskins says:—I could spend my life "neath God's own perfect foliage at Chautauqua. Here He has produced a masterpiece, where the glorious sunset is casting its shadows across the bluff, the river and the farmland, and the music of the birds makes it a paradise.

Mrs. F. A. Clifford says:—There is an old story of a man who wished, oh, so much, to

know what heaven was like, and lived in such a manner that he might earn for himself a glimpse of the promised land.

The story tells us that at last he was taken and an angel conducted him to a place of wondrous beauty. He saw majestic hillsides lifting their lofty white peaks into the blue haze. He saw great forest trees lifting their green canopies into the sky, and through whose branches the wind played enchanting melodies.

He beheld great rivers, fed by brook and stream from the secret places of the land; fragrant flowers lifted their sweet faces every breeze; beautiful wild things played unafraid upon the hillslides and in the valleys; birds filled the air with their exquisite melodies; happy children laughed and shouted and sang; everywhere was joy, peace, beauty and serenity.

The man feasted his weary soul on these scenes and whispered, "Ah, this is heaven. From this I will never depart."

And the angel replied: "No, this is not heaven. This is the world in which you lived and which you never saw."

Chautauqua has all of these beauties—the white peaks, the hillslides, the forest trees, the flowers, the birds, the happy children—and we can add to these the sweet fellowship of friends, the cool nights and, most wonderful of all, the time to see them and enjoy them.

A. E. Meints says:—I enjoy Chautauqua because it has been a favorite spot for years. My family enjoy it, and we are wondering why the people of the city who want a summer home do not seek this popular place.

Charles Newcomb says:—I enjoy Chautauqua because it has a good baseball diamond, a smooth race course for a good run, a swimming pool, a hiking outfit, and the best bunch of kids in the world.

Mrs. M. Edwin Johnson says:—Let me walk and talk with the birds; let me decorate the hills with nature's gifts and hear the music of voices at Chautauqua. This is enjoyment for me.

Mrs. C. Bernet says:—I enjoy Chautauqua because of the splendid surroundings, the association of like-minded people, the beautiful place the happiest spot in the West.

D. W. Caughlan says:—I cannot understand why every man and woman in the country will not come and enjoy the best place in America. I love the place.

A. H. Witte says:—Because I am pleased with my cottage, "Hawthorne," and can have my good family with me.

Robert Murray says:—I enjoy Chautauqua because I love the kiddies, having "gens" of my own.

FREE—TAKE ONE—FREE

RULES FOR THE CHAUTAUQUA ROQUE CLUB

Revised and adopted by the Club June, 1923.

Rule 1—The phrases used in these rules shall mean as follows:

- (A) Contact—when two balls touch.
- (B) Credit Point—all game points rightfully made.
- (C) Dead Ball—one hit during that turn and since making a game point.
- (D) Field Point—hitting, as intended, a live ball shot at.
- (E) Foul—hitting a dead ball; increasing a contact during a play; shooting the wrong ball or making a scratch.
- (F) Game Point—making an arch or post shot at.

(G) Position—Creeping upon a game point with only one shot.

(H) Expert—a person of good reputation, 25 years old, who has won one game in 7 trials on these courts when at least two experts are playing, in the game.

(I) Shooting Line—a line 30 inches from the curb.

(J) Scratch—making a point without first making the point shot at.

(K) Play—one distinct blow with the face of the mallet held in one hand.

Rule 2—Starting the play as follows:

(a) Four balls shall be used, regardless of the number of players. One ball shall be placed in the center of the court on end curb line by the Referee.

(b) Players will start playing in alphabetical order, alive on all balls, choosing any ball on the field at each turn of play and not changing balls during a turn of play.

Rule 3—Game points give one and Field points give two additional strokes.

Rule 4—A Foul forfeits the turn, but no balls are replaced.

Rule 5—Credit the point intended, if made, and all others thereof made, then play off of the last point made.

Rule 6—A ball leaving the grounds is placed on the shooting line nearest to where it stops.

Rule 7—All balls on boundary line must be replaced on shooting line before shooting.

Rule 8—Should a player, on commencing his play, find a ball he desires to shoot in contact with another ball, he must proceed with his play as though the balls were separated.

Rule 9—No ball within the shooting line shall be moved or touched except by a shot or by the umpire or referee.

Rule 10—No member of a game shall speak to, direct, or in any other manner disturb a player. A violation of this rule shall subject the offender to lose his last point made.

Rule 11—There shall be a limit of 5 minutes and no scratches allowed, except by unanimous consent of that game only, when they may play a no-limit or scratch game, either or both.

Rule 12—If the intention of the player is not clear, he must call his shot before playing.

Rule 13—Governing Qualifying Contests: Games shall be played each Saturday A. M., beginning Saturday, June 30, 1923, and continuing each Saturday thereafter for 8 consecutive Saturdays, as follows:

There shall be 4 games played each Saturday; The winners of the first three games only shall play the fourth game, and the winners of the fourth game shall be qualified for the final contest for the season championship.

Rule 14—Season Championships: The Season Championship shall be played the Saturday following the last qualification contest at 8 A. M. as follows: The winner of each game of the first four games played shall drop out. The winners of these four games shall play the fifth game, the winner dropping out. The three remaining players shall play a sixth game. The winner of the sixth game shall play the winner of the fifth game and the winner of this seventh game shall be declared the champion of 1923 and be presented with a mallet as selected by the Chautauqua Association.

Rule 15—There shall be a contest of "Ex-Champions," which shall include the champions of the past six years. This contest shall be inaugurated the first Saturday in July of 1923 at such a time and hour as agreed to and "Ex-Champions," and shall be governed by Rule 14, except that in this contest no player on his initial shot can shoot at any ball or at his arch unless at least ten feet from said ball or arch. The winner of the contest shall be declared the Grand Champion of 1923 and shall be presented with the Grand Championship Mallet.

Rule 16—All contests for championships shall take place on Ground No. 1.

Rule 17—These rules may be amended by a unanimous consent of the Rules Committee in writing, signed by said members and posted at or near the court.

Rule 18—The Rules Committee shall see that all rules are strictly enforced.

R. H. FLANNIGAN, President,
F. K. DILLMAN, Secretary,
C. H. CHAMBERLIN,
E. J. BYRON,
E. GASKINS,
D. W. CAUGHLAN,
Rules Committee.

RULES FOR CHAUTAUQUA DURING 1923 PIN THIS IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE.

1. Cottage rents MUST be paid in advance at the office.
2. No joy riding over the Chautauqua grounds.
3. Wear covering over bathing suits through the ground.
4. Throw paper in the barrels. It helps sanitation.
5. No fowls allowed to run loose.
6. Garbage must be kept in pails. This is important.
7. No athletics during Sunday forenoon.
8. Be sure to use sanitary precautions in toilet rooms.
9. Laundry must be taken in before 1:00 o'clock P. M.
10. Persons renting cottages will be held responsible for damage done to cottage or furniture.
11. No smoking in the main auditorium.
12. Children must not play around the spring.
13. No flowers must be taken from the Chautauqua ground.
14. Ferns must not be gathered without permission from the Manager or Custodian.
15. Cutting or carving on buildings or benches is strictly forbidden.
16. No agents allowed to peddle their wares without permission.
17. No fireworks allowed inside the grounds. Insurance companies demand that we keep this rule.
18. Do not kill the birds. We have a bird club now.
19. Horses must not be tied to the trees on the Chautauqua grounds.
20. No firearms allowed in or near the ground during the assembly season. This carries a penalty with it.
21. Complaints concerning water pipes, scarcity of water or defective gasoline stoves must be made to the manager.
22. Carry your day and week tickets constantly.
23. Do your part to help us keep Chautauqua clean.
24. Keep the dogs chained or muzzled from July 1st to August 31st. This is imperative. It protects the children.

NOTES FROM BIRD LAND

By Mrs. M. Edwin Johnson

There are now, so says one authority, on an average of only about two birds to an acre in this country, but this number can be greatly increased where the birds are protected and welcomed.

Hundreds, even thousands, of insects may be eaten by one bird in a day, but unless birds like a locality they will not live there, regardless of a large and alluring food supply of gipsy moths, potato beetles and aphids. The farmer or fruit grower who takes the trouble to understand the demands of bird tenants may have as many as 59 pairs of birds to the acre, all working busily to exterminate his worst insect enemies. Because these facts are gaining prominence, building bird houses to attract guests is an increasingly popular practice. It is estimated that even now there are probably several million bird houses hopelessly waiting for bird occupants every spring. As we look out what the birds really want, fewer of these little homes remain vacant through the summer months.

Sometimes the houses are built by someone who failed to consider the peculiarities of bird temperament. They would not expect a human being to rent a house that was not protected from burglars and marauders. But they often make the doorway of a bluebird house so big that English sparrows or other disturbers can easily get inside, nor is it protected from prowling puss. A government bulletin can be obtained which gives all correct dimensions and other information pertaining to building bird houses.

Each bird has its own instinctive attitude toward what is desirable in a home, and it is best to consider what birds are likely to come to a neighborhood. For instance, purple martins colonize, and a home for them must be designed like an apartment house and placed in the open some twenty feet from trees or buildings. Other birds, however, do not like even living near members of their own species. It is rare the two families of bluebirds, flickers or swallows will nest near together. The birds do not generally seem to object to neighbors, but they must be of a different tribe. When first experiments were made with bird houses, only four kinds of birds were regarded as likely tenants. These were the tree swallow, bluebird, house wren and martin. But since care has been taken to make houses and sheds attractive to particular birds, about thirty varieties have been known to live in man-built shelters.

Besides furnishing homes for birds, many people are attracting them by a food shelter or "open-air cafeteria" and bird baths and by planting bushes and trees that bear fruits liked by song birds. The Department of Agriculture suggests that a simple bird bath may be only a metal tray not very deep and with a rough edge and bottom surface so they can get an easy foothold.

In summer the birds can find food for themselves, but at other seasons it is important to feed them.

The following winter foods are suggested by the Department of Agriculture: Suet or other fat, pork rinds, bones with shreds of meat, cooked meats, meal worms, cut-up apples, bird seeds, buckwheat crackers, crumbs, cocoanut meat, cracked corn, millet, dog biscuits or other bread, hemp seed, millet, nut meats of all kinds (especially peanuts), whole or rolled oats, peppers, pumpkin or squash, seeds, raw or boiled rice, sunflower seeds and wheat.

MRS. F. A. CLIFFORD

is a popular story teller who is visiting schools and churches in the Central West. She will have two weeks of story telling at Chautauqua from July 16th to July 26th, inclusive, and on Saturday night, August 4th, she will give her wonderful present, when the children will play a big part. We are anticipating a great program by Mrs. Clifford. Mr. Clifford, a fine baritone singer and a popular Chautauquan, will sing several evenings during his summer vacation. He is a fine singer.

Rev. Thomas Oliver Grieves will preach at Chautauqua on Sunday night, August 5th, and will deliver Bible addresses in the auditorium from 11 to 12 o'clock noon on Monday and each day up to and including Saturday. Dr. Grieves is a personal friend of the noted movie actor, "Bill" Hart, and has given the actor helpful suggestions in hours of the need of a friend. Do not fail to hear the popular, practical, convincing Gospel teacher and preacher.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS' SUMMER HOME

conducted by the Piasa Chautauqua Circle of The King's Daughters and Sons. The object of this Home is to give an outing to where they can find amusement, rest and a library of good books, also all the advantages of the Chautauqua lectures and entertainment course. The Home is nonsectarian. Room and board, four dollars per week. A reference from a responsible person is required. Open from July 1st to September 1st. Apply to Mrs. Pauline Collins, 1610 Henry St., Alton, Ill., until July 1st, after which address: The King's Daughters, Chautauqua, Jersey County, Illinois.

LESSONS IN DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRESSES, SUITS AND COATS

Lessons in drafting patterns.

Lessons in altering commercial patterns. Three prizes will be given for best dresses at the end of August (about August 21).

Lessons will begin July 9th and continue until August 24th, at the Springs Hotel, Chautauqua, Ill., and are given by

MISS THUSUELD A. ASHELM.

St. Louis School of Dressmaking and Surefit Pattern Shop, St. Louis, Mo.

Mrs. Nettie Cope is the faithful custodian at the Springs Hotel. She keeps things clean and works faithfully to please patrons.

CAMP STOVES

"We hope that all Chautauquans will feel at liberty at all times to use our camp stoves for their out door luncheon," says Mrs. C. Bernet, in a recent statement. The camp stoves, three of which were built last year in connection with the work of the Ladies' Civic Improvement Association, were erected for the use of Chautauquans as well as for the tourists and picnickers visiting from nearby towns.

NEW TRAIN SERVICE

Effective July 9, Mr. Hurst of the C. P. & St. L. R. has announced that he will put on the early morning train service from Chautauqua and the late train service from Alton. The Electric Limited will leave the St. Louis Eads Bridge at 5:10 p. m. as in previous years.

I enjoy Chautauqua because my friends love that interesting game of roque. I have gone up and down the shady paths of this delightful Chautauqua for years, and the place still seems dearer to me because old friends are still here. The place will ever be popular, for the finest type of people are here and many others are coming.

D. W. CAUGHLAN.